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In Re Application of:

John G. McBride

Serial No.: 09/311,313

Filed: May, 13, 1999

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR DETERMINING WHETHER
AN ELEMENT IN AN
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT IS A
FEEDBACK ELEMENT

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Group Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Leigh Marie Garbowski

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FIRST RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Office Action mailed October 3, 2001 (Paper No. 3) has been carefully considered.

In response thereto, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/A MENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

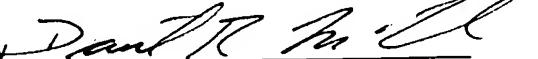
(X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Box Non-Fee Amendments")
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(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	22	MINUS	22	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$400.00	3RD MONTH \$920.00	4TH MONTH \$1440.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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